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-- This application is a divisional of application serial no. 08/485,821 filed June 6, 1995, now abandoned, which in turn was a continuation of application ser. No. 840,211, filed on Feb. 24, 1992, now issued as U.S. Patent 5,354,295 which in its turn was a continuation-in-part application of application serial no. 07/492,717, filed March 13, 1990, issued as U.S. Patent 5,122,136. --

Remarks

The Examiner refers to an Amendment of Dec. 29, 1998. However, there was a subsequent Amendment filed on Jan. 14, 1999. A copy of this Amendment, its exhibits, and the return postcard are enclosed for the convenience of the Office. It is not clear whether the Examiner has seen the Jan. 14, 1999 amendment or whether this would change the Office Action. The undersigned has called the Examiner today and left a message in an attempt to clarify the issue. Nevertheless, the following is submitted under the assumption that neither prior two amendments were entered but did not satisfy the Examiner's rejections to the extent continued.

Exhibit 1 to the Jan. 14, 1999 Amendment is a copy of the assignments of the parent application, U. S. Patent 5,122,136, from both of the inventors to The Regents of the University of California as recorded at frame 5257, reel 0574, and frame 5257, reel 0577.

Exhibit 2 to the Jan. 14, 1999 Amendment is a copy of the assignments of the cip of U. S. Patent 5,122,136 from which this application directly continues